EXPLANATORY.

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Explanations are usually the raw recruits in the "Nothing to Say" same. But in this case they are the plonners of a mighty vigorcontracted in our early announcements; or, may be you haven't used all the good, senstble thoughtfulness for which you are distinguished. But when we stated that we had reduced ALL of the stock we bought of Mr. Davis we meant the word "all" in letters as Major Martin Says He Will Come Back. tall as the monument.

Our valued friends come in every day and

"Why! I didn't know so-and-so was salling at a reduced prior [TO-DAY]" And then we may say: "Fee, madam, it will stand at the reduced serses EVERY DAY 'till 'tie sold out," And we have to say this fifty times daily.

Now let's settle this point once for all. There isn't a single article in this house,

advertised or not, but has been reduced; and it will remain reduced in price until it is totally wiped out, even if it's never adver-Come into our store just as you market-

something takes your eye-'tis marked way down-buy it! Come again to-morrow, You'll see; something that escaped your notice yesterday. Go about our stere with just as much freedom as you would the balls of your | way I'll come.' own home. Because we may not know you personally (as Mr. Davis did) the store knows you, the sales ladies (who have waited on you in the past) will be glad to see you, the goods are for your free inspection, we are here to give you the proprietors' attention, and every mouent of every day is a

The old customers of the house may come or send, as of yore and they'll find "Pierce's" the same familiar, favorite mart that

years. By no means. Don't heed all the garrulous gossip you hear about what "Pierce is going to do." An earnest, honest effort is going to be made to creditably continue the going to be made to creditably continue the attempt to pass the bill, as it would pre-history of a reputable and successful house. vent the passage of the Tariff bill. River These explanations ought to suffice for all

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POLITICAL NEWS

PROBABILITIES OF THE POSTPONE-MENT OF THE FORCE BILL.

CONGRESSMAN M'COMAS REPUDIATED.

ous campaign. It may be that we were too He Has Apparently Finished His Political Career in Maryland.

HIS SPEECH ON THE FORCE BILL DID IT.

Chris. Magee Talks --- A Bloody Battle in Texas.

MAJOR MARTIN'S DISTRICT.

P THE PROPER HAVE THEIR WAY HE WILL COME DACK TO CONGRESS. Major Martin of Texas, returned from Texas just in time to cast his vote against the Federal Election bill. He covered 2,500 miles-many of them weary miles-to get to deposit that ballot, and he got there. The Major looks greatly improved by his visit home. There's nothing like home cooking and home comforts after all.

"Of course I'm going to have oppo-sition," remarked the Major this morn-ing. "There are five fellows already in ing. "There are five fellows already in the field agin' me, but I'm used to bucking agin' numbers, and by the grace of God I hope to snow em un-der. The politicians in my district don't want me to come back, but the people do, and if the people have their

MAY BE POSTPONED.

REPUBLICANS MAY NOT ATTEMPT TO

PASS THE FORCE BILL. The caucus of the Republican Senators has not, it is thought, improved the chances of a Federal election law. The failure to arrive at any definite conclusion is taken as an evidence that

nothing is likely to be done.

The general opinion among the Democrats now is that the bill will not pass the Senate at this session, but I passed at all by this Congress will be

passed at the short session.

While a majority of the Senators who favor the bill would like to see a rule adopted shutting off debate and allowing the previous question to be ordered, the more conservative members are opposed to it, and have put themselves on ecord as unwilling to make any changes whatever in the rules. If no Reed rules are passed or Reed rulings made the Senate will not be likely to and Harber bill, and other important neasures.

Many of the Ropublicans think Speaker Reed made a mistake in passing the Force bill before the Tariff had been disposed of by the Senate. Congressman Harmer says: "The Speaker's action was not only a mistake, but an egregious blunder. The bill should not have even been discussed until the Tariff bill was passed. It is of the highimportance to the party pass it at the earliest possi-moment in order that the people may be given a chance to judge of its effect on the interests of the country. So many attacks have been made upon so many atterns have been a good in that unless it is proved to be a good measure the public will believe the reverse and defeat us at the polls next November. As it is, it is not now likely the Tariff bill will be passed unless the public of the state of of the s

til late in the autumn, if at all. POLITICS IN TEXAS.

FACTIONS CLAIM CONTROL OF THE CITY-A BLOODY BATTLE.

DENVER, Cot., July 12 .- A telegram I. 514 514 from Yeleta, Tex., says man a purchase 631 631 hattle occurred at that place yesterday from Ysleta, Tex., says that a pitched afternoon and last night between two factions. Ever since the local election am. 991 SN in April both factions have claimed O Cts. ... control of the city government, and numerous fights have occurred. One party, led by an intelligent Mexican, was called the "Peoples' party," and the other, led by a Jew named Taal, was called the "Republican party," Several fights have resulted and it has cen expected that the trouble would culminate in a bloody conflict, and these prophesics came true. A later dispatch rays that the fight has been closed but with both sides holding their ground. and it is impossible for any one to ture out to discover the number of dead and wounded. The telegraph operator there wires that he can count six dead bodies from his window.

M'COMAS TO BE SHELVED,

BECAUSE HE ADVOCATED THE "FORCE" BILL-MARYLAND POLITICS. NEW YORK, July 12.-The Times' Hagerstown correspondent telegraphs: Representative Louis E. McComas, who has for six years represented the only really Republican district in Marylandthe Sixth—will not from present indica-tions be able to return to Congress. His peech on the Force bill has apparently aished his political career in Maryland. dvices from every county in his disriet show a pronounced opposition to him. His bitter advocacy of the Lodge

oill and his efforts towards. Federal in-erference in elections have met with no encouragement or commendation from his constituents. In fact, they repudiate his action and say that if he is re-nominated he will be defeated at the

The feeling over this measure in Maryiand is intense. It is looked upon us unnecessary and dangerous, and, as McComas has become one of its chausplons, he is getting the condemnation that attaches to the bill and its adhercuts. Republicans as well as Demo-crats denounce both it and him. Sevwith the next nomination-State Sen-uter Edward Stake of this place, the Hon. Hoyd Loundes of Cumberland, who is one of the World's Fair Com-mission, and George L. Wellington, who has been appointed Sub-Treasurer of Ballington.

It is now practically certain that aryhind will send five Democrats to the Fifty account Congress, gaining two, and, if McComas should be renominated, the Democrats will expect to elect a solid delegation. The McKinley Tariff bill and the Lodge Election bill subject Sunday night at 8 o'clock.

have had an enormous effect on public The work of tariff reform goes

The work of tarill reform goes steadily on. Next Tuesday a convention of tarill reform delegates from the clubs throughout the State will be held in Baltimore. Within a year these organizations have been formed in one third of the counties of Maryland. The

third of the counties of Maryland. The purpose, as expressed in their print pectus, is "to keep the tariff Issue as made by President Cleveland before the people of the State until Congress shall afford sufficient relief from the oppression and unnecessary taxation under which they now labor."

An educational campaign is being constantly carried on. The convention next week will include an address by Chairman John De Witt Warner of New York and a mass meeting with such speakers as Representatives Wilson, Crisp, McAdoo, Bynum, Breckinsidge and Hemphill, Senator E. K. Wilson will preside. son will preside.

MAGEE NOT IN OPEN REVOLT THE PITTSBURG LEADER KNOWS OF NO

INDEPENDENT MOVEMENT. PITTABURG, PA., July 19 .- C. L. Magee returned from Washington yesterday and was asked concerning reports that he had been plotting with Congressman Dalzell a scheme to defeat Delamater. This was the dialogue:

"Did Dalzell say to you whether he would work for Delamater's election or

would work for Delamater's election or not?' asked the reporter. "Well, now, you know, that Mr. Dalzell is a candidate on the Republican ticket and that ought to be sufficient for the people to know."
"There is much talk just now about an independent licket; have you any information about it?"

'None whatever. If such a move is on foot I am ignorant of it. You will confer a favor on me by con-tradicting these silly stories."

He Will Succeed McKinley, The deadlock in the Democratic Con-

gressional Convention, Sixteenth Ohio listrict, was broken last night, after two days and one night of balloting, by the nomination of ex Lieutenant-Governor John G. Warwick of Massillon, Ohio. Mr. Warwick, who will be the opponent of Congressman McKluley, is a business man, engaged for many years in extensive milling interests, and owner of coal mines. His first and only political office was Lieutenant-Governor of Ohlo.

Democrate Denounce Tillman. COLUMBIA, S. C., July 12.-The convention of Straight Out Democrats yesterday adopted resolutions denouncing the Tillman movement, defending the State administration against the charges of corruption made by Tillman and others, and resenting the insult offered General Wade Hampton at a recent campaign meeting. An executive com-mittee, with General J. D. Kennedy as chairman, was appointed to prepare an address to the Democrats of the State.

English Masons Honor an American, New York, July 12 .- The Harald's Kingston, Out., special says: "R. T. Walkem, Grand Master of Masons of England, says he attended the installa-tion of the Anglo-American Lodge and the chair. It was a remarkable occasion, as it was the first time an American was made master of an English

INDIGNANT CITIZENS

MOUNT PLEASANT WANTS BETTER STREET-CAR ACCOMMODATIONS.

Blaming the Commissioners for Refusing to Grant the Company Per-

mission to Lay Double Tracks.

An indignation meeting of the residents of Mount Pleasant was held last evening at the residence of William B. Matthews, on Kennesaw avenue. The meeting was called to take action on the street-car question, and at 8 o'clock a large number of representative citizens assembled in Mr. Matthews' parlors. Mr. Matthews first addressed the meeting in plain and foreible language, set-

ing forth the complaints against the Washington and Georgetown Railroad Company for charging an extra three cent fare from Boundary to Mount At the conclusion of Mr. Matthews' remarks Mr. John J. Judd was unant-mously elected president of the meeting, and J. R. Ruckalew secretary. Messrs. Thornton, Jameson. Townsend, Saxton, Matthews and Armes were appointed as

Mr. Judd thought that a great part of the trouble was caused by the Com-missioners, who declined to permit the company to lay a double track to Mount Pleasant. The railway company had offered to lay the track and take it up again if it did not conform with the grade, but the Commissioners still declined the permit. The three cent fare, he thought, was the greatest obstacle to perfect service. If that is abolished, through cars will be established.

Emphatic and enthusiastic remarks were made by Mesers. Atkins. McPaer-son and Ronsell. At the conclusion of the speeches the committee on resolu-

which was manimously adopted:

Resolved, That this committee does it wise to appoint a committee of fire to wait on the different of the Washington and tocogetown Railroad Company to accurate just what called is proposed by the company for the residents of Mount Pleasant and vicinity, this committee to urge upon the officers the needed car service for this section, without a change at the boundary ection, without a change at the boundary or may extra fure.

Mr. Judd then appointed Messrs. Jameson. Townsend. Armes, Saxton and Judd as a committee to wait upon the railroad company. The meeting djourned, subject to the call of the

Among the gentlemen present were W. Woodruff, Donald McPherson, B. Sleman, C. B. Dickey, J. R. kalew, F. A. Ellis, Doctor Jumeson, E. Brown, R. W. Walker, John J. Judd. George A. Barthett, Rev. C. H. Small, James C. Chuechill. — Her-riost, James Simpson, C. L. Sears, J. H. Steinemetz, Jr., George Kohler, W. E. Brown, A. B. Chatfield, H. Taylor, C. L. Ricketts, W. H. Crowell, S. W. Smith, J. E. Williams.

THE FORGE BILL

OBEDIENT SENATORS WILL EN-DEAVOR TO PUSH IT.

RADIGALS DETERMINED ON ITS PASSAGE

Belden's Circular Was Not Inspired by Boss Roed.

WHAT THE PARTY POLICY IS LIKELY TO BE

Senators Anxious to Do the Bidding of the Man from Maine ... Various Plans Being Discussed.

Ngw Yong, July 12 .- The Herabl's Washington correspondent telegraphs: All political Washington is laughing about the Belden circular, which is characterized as asinine to the uttermost degree. Democrats regard it as the poorest piece of political play ever made by a tyro in politics, much less the chairman of the Congressional campaign committee. If Mr. Belden Is responsible for this act of political finesse, then the Democrats have little to fear from his leadership in the coming campaign for control of the House in the Fifty second Congress.

The original Intention was to put the contents of the circular before the country in the form of an Interview with Mr. Belden, in which the chairman of the Republican Congressional Committee, under the direction of Boss Reed, would lay down the law to the Senate. This was the idea suggested, but some how there was a change in the pro gramme and the circular feature was substituted. Late Wednesday night Mr. Belden's secretary rushed into the Associated Press office here and handed in the edict for distribution among Reiblican "editors.

The effect of this manifesto, in the The effect of this manifesto, in the opinion of the Democratic side of the Senate, is that it will likely prove a boomerang. They regard it as an unwarranted piece of impertinence for a Congressional nevice like Chairman Beiden to attempt to dictate to Senators the policy they should pursue in matters of legislation.

THE BADICALS DETERMINED. Nevertheless the surface indications at the Capitol to day were that the ma-ority of the Republican Senators are determined to consider the Election bill and to force it turough the Senate, with rules or without rules. They are en-countering obstacles in the conservative emper of some of the older Senators. who still desire to preserve the delibera-tive character of the Senate, but the radicals are very influential, and the probabilities are that they will carry

They are very grateful to Congress man Belden for the manner in which Ontario, who has just returned from he has strengthened their hands by his England, says he attended the installation of the Anglo-American Lodge and editors. Of forty Republican Senators witnessed the ceremony which put In town not more than one has expressed Theodore Tilton, late of Brooklyn, in sn opinion adverse to the action of Mr.

Unfortunately the conservative minority can assign no reason for their conservatism except a desire to preserve spirit of fair play so dear to the Ameri-ean people. The majority have on their side what seem to be the irresistible arguments of party consistency and political gain. Some of the minority express regret that the House has forced them into their present position, but say that if the issue is to be made against the party it would be better to face it with an accomplished result rather than half way steps. TWO SIDES.

The amendment of the rules will b bitterly contested by men like Ingalls, Edmunds, Evarts, Teller and Morrill, but already Senators like Dawes and Frye and Hoar have joined the radical column and are willing to vote for any measure or any ruling which will carry

out the orders of Speaker Reed.

The members of the Finance Committee made an earnest plea last night for the consideration of the Tariff bill efore the partisan battle over the Election bill should begin. They argued that the tariff was a business matter which ought to be settled at this session and that it was vastly more important to the party than to attempt to capture a few black districts by means of partisan returning boards. This view may pos-sibly be adopted, but it will hardly prevent the consideration of the Ele all. It will only shorten the time for

debate allowed upon each subject. If the radical programme is once en-tered upon it will probably grow more reckless and illegal as the days go by. The obstacles which will be intersed by the Democratic minority and conservative Republican Senators will be serious, but, as partisan passions are heated, the measures adopted to surmount the obstacles promise to become more and more revolutionary. There is a possibility-hardly more than that -that the struggle of the minerity may be desperate enough to carry the bill over to the next session or secure radical amendments in it.

Several of the Republican members of the Committee on Elections are de-idedly opposed to the form of the Daveaport bill, which was fathered by Mr. Lodge, and one of them said to day that he would never vote for it in it present shape. He declared it to be prolix, radical, disjointed and subver sive of the rights of the States. It is quite likely that Mr. Lodge's idea of a file of Federal soldiers at the politic places will be dropped from the bill.

WIL EDMUNDS WANTS AMENDMENT. Senator Edmunds, while opposed charging the rules, is in favor of a bill but decidedly opposed to the result tionary providens of the Davenport bill. He has promised that he will do his best to have the bill changed and some vestige left to the people and the States of the control over the election of

There is a good deal of talk of passing the bill in a continuous seasing lasting through day and night, but a good many Republican Sensiors, who have to guard their health, or who have social engagements more altractive than doring on a Senate sofa, are opposed to this plan. They would rather amend the rules by a Reed coup d'east than sacrifice their personal comfort by an

These various plans were being talked

or, composed of Senators Hoar, deener, Frye and Moody, which was gointed to confer with the Repuban members of the Committee or luies, but thus far no conclusion has what the party policy actually will be,

THE CIRCULAR LONG PREPARED. There is no mystery about the manner in which the Belden circular letter was given out for publication on Wednesday night. The letter was prepared ten days ago with the purpose out bally of making it conficentially to the Republican editors of the country. Meanwhile Mr. Beiden made a hurried trip to his summer home on Round Island, in the St. Lawrence River, When it was decided that the Repub-lican Senators would caucus, ostensibly upon the order of business, but in reality upon the order of business, but in reality as to the disposition that should be made of the Federal Election bill, it occurred to Mr. Edward O'Brieu, the secretary of the Republican Congressional Committee, that a general publication of the circular a few hours prior to the meeting would have an excellent

Mr. O'Brien's discretion, however, is uite equal to his political acumen; he bereupon telegraphed Mr. Beiden for the authority necessary to make the circular public. Owing to the insufficient telegraph service it was near the hour of midnight before an affirmative hous of midnight before an amrinative reply from the absent chairman was re-ceived. Mr. O'Brien immediately carried the letter to the officers of the various press associations, through which agencies it was scattered broad cast within the next few hours. NOT INSPIRED BY MR. REED.

The circular was not inspired by Speaker Reed or any other person. It was Mr. Belden's own conception, says Mr. O'Brien, and was prepared by nim in his usual business-like manner without any especial thought or

preparation.

The responses on the part of the Republican press, Mr. O'Brien says, have been general and satisfactory. All the party papers which have since been received at headquarters have given the appeal strong editorial indorsements. The only exception has been in the case of the Syracuse Journal, whose editor, Mr. Carroll Lee Smith, is personally unfriendly to Mr. Belden.

Mr. O'Brien says that the idea of the circular suggested itself to Mr. Helden because he thought the Senate needed just such reminders as they are getting. He noticed that the Senators were very indifferent to the wishes of the people as expressed by legislation of the House. The fervid response of the Republican press of the Eastern cities is the best vindication of Mr. Belden's

STANLEY MARRIED

THE CONGRATULATIONS HEARTY AND THE PRESENTS INNUMERABLE.

Frightful Havor Caused by Cyclones. Cashmere's Maharajah Accused of Trenson...Japanese Prejudice,

London, July 12 .- Henry M. Stanley and Dorothy Tennant were married at Westminster Abbey at 2 o'clock. Mr. Stanley walked up the alsle leaning The Abbey was densely crowded.

The morning papers unite in exending their best wishes to Stanley and heartily congratulate him on overcoming his extremely awkward illness, the continuance of which would have necessitated the postponement of one of the most notable social events that has taken place in London in many

The number of presents received by Miss Tennant, and which occupy every foot of available space in her commodious apartments, is almost beyond realization. Temperary tables have been erected for the accommodation of such articles as may be displayed in that way, and the collection of gifts includes almost every imaginable article devoted to the uses of luxury or com-fort. The doners include the Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke of Fife, Mr. Gladatone, Baroness Burdett Coutts, Sir J. E. Militas, Lord Brassey and hundreds of other prominext and titled persons. The oldest of the gifts is a bottle of water from the Victoria Nyanza, and the most valuable s an immense uncut diamond presented by Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carnogle. Mr. Stanley's needs as a smoker have been faithfully looked after in the presentation of innumerable boxes of cigars of the finest brands. Probably no couple ever received a more varied collection of useful and unique gifts.

TERRIBLE CYCLONES. Prightful results have followed the cyclones which have raged in various places on the continent within the last two days. Large tracts of country have been devastated, thousands of horses, cattle and other animals have been killed, crops have been ruined, buildings were wrecked and other damage has been indicted which it will take months to repair. Accompanying these storms, in many cases, were terrific flashes of lightning, the effects of which were fatal to human life in

many places.
At Auxonne, France, the barracks was struck and five soldiers were killed. At Pavis, Italy, a bolt descended upon a church during the performance of divine service, killing two priests who were officiating at the altar, and stuu-ning a number of the congregation. At Sewickan, Bohomia, lightning ick a dwelling house, prostrating the ocupants and setting fire to the buildand the entire family of six persons were burned with it.

O STUDY ENGLAND'S MINING STATEM. Two Prussian officials have been sent mining system in younge in tirent tain, with a view to its cuttre or paral adoption in Germany, and also to certain the condition of the miners as inpured with that of their German

GARAGE BONGBER. Captain Cavati, the Italian African placer, has received a warm well-size Napela, where he has been happened. I presented with a gold model by the ographical Society. HARMALAH ACCUSED OF THEATON.

The Muharajah of Cashinere, who as been deposed from his farous by he government of British India on he change of miscule and suspected reason, is endeavoring to obtain a hear-

Great Britain. The Cablnet has so far refused to interfere with the action of the authorities in India. The Maharajah is suspected of having held intercourse with agents of the Russian administra

tion in Central Asia.

The British Government has under consideration the question of placing at the troops in India under one com-mander in chief, instead of the three separate commands that now exist. The object is to insure united and harmonious action in the event of a war with Russia. The deposition of the Maharajah of Cashmere is said to be in-tended as a warning to other Indian rinces to abstain from communication elib Russia.

PREFEDICED AGAINST FOREIGNERS. Advices from Japan state that there a growing animosity against foreigners in that country, and that soveral have been attacked in an unjusti flable manner in the streets of Toklo and Yokohama. The native press is iding in stirring up the prejudices of the people against strangers.

Mr. O'Conpor Leaves the "Star." LONDON, July 12. - Mr. Thomas lower O'Connor finally severed his connection with the Star yesterday and pade farewell to his co-workers. The occasion was one of pleasant speech making and hand-abaking. Mr. Mas-singham succeeds Mr. O'Connor as editor-in-chief, and Professor James Stuart, Gladstonian member of Parlia-ment for Hoxton, will direct the politi-cal roller of the passer. cal policy of the paper.

FRIG TFUL OLOGAUS

A MUMBER OF MEN MEET DEATH IN A STEAMER'S HOLD.

Mysterious Wreck of a Big Freight Vessel While Tied Up at Her Wharf at Chicago,

CHICAGO, July 12 .- An explosion ccurred last night on the steamer Tioga, which was unloading at her wharf at the foot of Washington street, and it is known that at least nine men met death in the fierce fire that followed; while many others were more or less seriously injured.

It appears that the explosion occurred ust after a porter named William Palmer had gone below with lighted lamps. He had scarcely reached the decks again when the fearful shock came. It was said that two hundred barrels of oil were among the eargo, and that these had become ignited. Others insisted that the explosion must have been due to a lack of water in the pollers, and that the second engineer, who was known to be missing, was the man whose duty it would be to start the pony pumps in such an emergency. This, it was declared, would have proed just such an explosion, wrecking only one compartment of the vessel.

THE SEARCH FOR THE DEAD. It was some time before the flame uld be checked sufficiently to allow the firemen to commence a search for the dead, but as soon as possible an organized attempt was made to reach the hold where a gang of stevedores had

en at work. All of the crew of twenty-five were abourd at the time, and in addition to them there must have been twelve to fifteen other men killed and a number wounded. The steamer sank soon after the fire was extinguished, but as the river is not deep at her wharf, her decks are above water.

A LIST OF THE VICTORS. Until the work of recovering the bodies still in the hold of the vessel is completed a full list of the killed can-

Following is the list of the victims so far as known to the police: DEAD, IDENTIFIED. Osnony Posis, laborer, Chicago ADEXANDER SMITH, colored, Chicago JOHN BRAXTON, colored, Chicago, J. WILLIAMS, stevedore.

C. LEUNLLIE, Buffalo, lookout, WILLIAM C. THEBERT, watchman, EDWARD FIES GLEROS, master, OHN NEILE, foreman of stevedores. ALEXANDER, stevedore.

ALEXANDER, stevedore.

OBS EWIS, laborer. VILLIAM PORVER, laborer. SETTI, laborer, Ecculia, laborer, L. Thomas, laborer, J. CHERRY, laborer, Janua Jones, laborer,

PAYALLY INSURED: HENRY WITHERSPORE, colored inhorer, blouge; scalp wound and badly burned um waist up GEORGE HAIR, engineer, 560 Perry street,
Buffale, N. Y.; scalp wound, cut on chin,
back lejured, and badly hurned.
Davin McNairi, other, residence unknown; stine fractured.
Thomas Enmerr, lower part of face
blown away and burned about body.

SERIOUSLY INTURED.

Jones Bunker, Buffalo, N. Y.; cut about Robber Houliday, Chicago, laborer, left arm broken and cut about chest and Watten Charges, cut about shoulders and hand, builty burned.
Within McDoppath, offer, hand builted and injured internally.

Mrs. Barrison on a Visit. CAPE MAN POINT, July 12 .- Yesterday afternoon the Harrison carriage. ontaining Mrs. Harrison, Dr. Scott and Senjamin H. McKee, drove up to the Wanamaker cottage. The occupants called upon Mrs. Wanamaker and family. Mr. Wanamaker left the Point on the morning train, but expects to re-

turn this evening.

The Story Without Foundation. NEW York, July 12.—The Times' special from Ottawa, Out., says: The Deminion Government received official advices this (Priday) afternoon from Victoria that the report about Canadian scaling vessels noing up there for de-fensive operations in Behring Sea is

Rusamos, Pa., July 12.-Vesterday Harry Auman, and 8 years, lix a heavy south helt ever from the Fourth of July, but it falled to go off. He pineed it in his mouth, when an explosion followed and the bal's mouth and throat were harribly facerated, will die.

Exploited in this Mouth.

Bonneing a Washington Knight. J. W. Phompson of Washington was

UNITED STATES AND BRITISH

FLEETS COMPARED: EN UNFAVORABLE SHOWING FOR US.

Significant Utterances of the Official Organ of Blaine,

DID SALISBURY THREATEN RETALIATION,

Or Was His Denial in a Pickwickian Sense?--- The Movements of the British Squadron.

NEW YORK, July 12,-The World a day prints the following from Ita Washington correspondents

The work of preparing the Behring Sea correspondence for transmission to the House has been completed by the clerks of the State Department, and the result is an enormous mass of matter comprising over one bundred and fifty pages of type-written manuscript, equal to twenty three columns of the World, It was the expectation that the correspondence would reach the House today, but a delay has occurred, caused, according to rumor, by the receipt at the State Department of a telegram from Secretary Blaine ordering the documents to be held until the receipt of the letter of transmittal, which he is now said to be preparing. Whether this will be a State paper setting forth in further detail the position of the United States in the pending contro-

versy is still an open question. Nothing in the Behring Sea affair since the World first reported the scute crisis reached in the negotiation has attracted as much attention in Washing on as the publication to day in a New York Republican organ of an editorial entitled "British Guns in Western Waters," and which was evidently re-garded as of so much consequence in the office of the organ that it was furnished to the Associated Press and telegraphed all over the country.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN? The fact that the editor in chief and proprietor of that paper is a United States Minister to a foreign court, and that he is one of the closest personal and political friends Mr. Blaine has ever had, and the further fact that, with the excep tion of Sir Julian Pauncefote's diplo mutic denial, the organ has carefull suppressed every Item of news relating t this important event until to-day, lend additional interest to the publication People here believe that it was inspired by Mr. Blaine, and that it was done to show the public that the negotiations have not been so entirely harmonlous as Sfr Julian Pauncefote represented to e the case on Monday morning. Especially significant is the statement:
"It is evident that Mr. Blaine and

Lord Salisbury are still a long way apart in their views, " " " There quality of menace has been imparted to his (Salisbury's) later tones. This, at least, may be assumed when his arguments are looked at in the light of his

amicably it is considered very unlikely here that Mr. Bjaine's official organ would say that Mr. Blaine and Lord. Salisbury are still a long way apart, and if Lord Salisbury has not threatened retaliation it is difficult to understand how a certain quality of menace has been imparted to the British

Premier's "later tones." The State Department to day received a leng telegraphic report from our con-sul at Victoria, describing the move-ments of the British fleet and giving an opinion as to the reason for the unusual gathering. The report was furnished to certain officials of the Navy Department, but was carefully guarded to prevent its contents from reaching the nutlic. A comparison of the war vessels of the United States and Great Britain now available for service on the Pacific Atlantic coasts does not result favorably

A SSUO LITTLE BRITISH PLEET. The Warsprite, flagship of the British Admiral, is an armored ship, which was built at the dockyard at Chatham and finished four years ago. The cost of the hull was nearly \$2,250,000, and that of the machinery added more than twenty five per cent, to that amount. The Warsprite is an armored cruiser of 8,400 tons displacement and 10,000 tons indicated horsepower. She is 315 feet long, with a 62 foot beam. Her speed is 15.7. She carries ten hoavy guns, capable of pierring 19 lach armor, with eight quick firing and ten machine guns. Her crow numbers 314 men.

Rest Admiral Hotham, now commanding the Warsprite and the British Pacific squadren, is the same Capain

manding the Warsprite and the British Pacific squadren, is the same Captain Botham who in the year 1882 home baseded the city of Alexandria. Of the ten heavy gime carried by the Warsprite four have a \$2.5 inch hore and weigh twenty two tens each, and six are of 6 inch callibre, weighing eighty nine hundredweight each. All are nine hundredweight each. All are nine hundredweight each. All are are of 6 theh callbre, weighting eighty-nine hundredweight each. All are breech loading rifles. The other five chips of the British squadron now in the North Pacific are unacousted crule-

the Amphion is a double screw steel crubes of the accord class, harting the cack protected analysistys. Her dis-placement is 4.300 and her indicated home power 5,550. She is 1980 feet long. with a force six foot hearr, built at Pembroke in 1888. Her hull cost a half million dollars and the muchinery shout \$650,000. She carries ten six-inch five ton brosch looding sixtus four quick firing and twolve translator guns and two light pieces, in addition to

ALL AND GOOD TRANSLE. The Champion is a steel cruiser of the thind class. With deck partially pre-tected. Her displacement is 2.084 and have indicated horse power 2 to 882 and have may bell by Elder at Gingow, in 1878, at a total cost, including hall and machinery, of about \$400,000. Her speed is thirteen knots an hour. Her armament is four six both electronic. armament is four six luck eighty-thme hundredweight breach loading riles.

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three pounders, six machine gans, two ight guns, and two lausching torputo

The Daphne is a sloop with a composite hull. She was built at Sheerness in 1888, at a total cost of about \$100, 000. Her displacement is 1,140, and her indicated horse power 2,000. She carried eight five in h forty hundred-weight breech loading rifles and eight machine guns, and her speed is fourteen

ed a half knots an hour. and a half knots an hour.

The Exployle is a sloop with a composite hall, built at Devenport in 1889, at a total cost of a quarter of a million dollars. Her displacement is 1.150, and her indicated horse power 1.140, speed, 114 knots. She carries ten five inch forty hundredweight breach loading ties, eight machine guns and one light

The Nymph is another sloop of the composite hull. She was built at Portsmouth in 1888 at a total cost of about \$300,000. Her displacement is 1,149 tors and her indicated horse-power 2,000. She makes fourteen and a half knots an hour and carries eight five-inch forty hundred widght breach load-ing ritles and eight machine guns.

WHY WE HAVE TO OPPOSE THEM. Until the Charleston was ordered to the Pacific a short time ago the United States Navy had not a single ship on the Pacific station over third rate. The the Pacific station over third rate. The United States squadron in the Pacific now comprises the Charleston Mohican, Adams, Alert, Monongahela, Iroquots, Pinta, and Nipsic. The Charleston is the flagship of the Pacific squadron. She arrived at Hopolulu at the end of May, with Acting Rear Admiral George Brown and Captain G. C. Remey on board. Several of the other ships of the consider when last heavy from worn squadron, when last heard from, were at Honolulu, and some of them were as far away as the Samoan Islands.

The Charleston is a protected cruisor, with twin screws and steel hull. Her displacement is 3,730 tons, and her main battery consists of eight guns.

The Mobican is a third-rate wooden cruiser with a displacement of 1,900 tors and a main battery of eight guns, mostly smooth bore.

The Adams is a third-rate wooden cruiser of 1,975 tons and carries six guns, mostly smooth-bore. The guns of the Alert, Monongahela, Iroquois, Pinta and the Nipsic are nearly all

month bore.
The Alert is a third rate iron screw rulser of 1,020 tons displacement and nriles four guns. The Monongahela, the store-ship of

the Pacific squadron, is a wooden saif-ing ship and carries only two smooth-The Iroquois is a wooden screw cruiser of 1,575 tons displacement,

The Pinta is an iron screw gunboat f 550 tons displacement and four guns. The Nipste is a wooden screw cruiser of 1,875 tons displacement and carries six guns.

SCATTERED OVER THE SEAS.

When last heard from the Adams was at San Francisco.

The Iroquois left Mare Island for Samon June 24 to relieve the Mobican, which was to proceed from Samon to the west coast of South America, stopping at Auckland for supplies. The Nipsic was at Honoluin, the Pinta at

Sitka, Alaska, and the Monongahela at Portsmouth, N. H., undergoing repairs. A comparison of the British squadron with the United States squadron in the North Pacific seems to be all in favor of the British so far as fighting capacity goes. The three revenue marine cutorions.

If the negotiations are proceeding that the Warsprite, the flagship of the British squadron, single handed, could sink the whole lot in one afternoon. The Warsprite is one of the most pawer ful atmored cruisers in the modern Brit-

DIED WITH HIS BOOTS ON. A Mountaineer Detective Who Met Death in Tracking a Crime, CHARLESTON, W. VA., July 12 .-When the lifeless body of Dave Stratton, one of the famous McCoy gang of

outlaws, was found near the raliroad

track at Brownstown, several weeks ago, the public generally supposed that he had been run over by a train and killed. Some persons, however, suspected the Hatfield crowd of murdering Among these was J. W. Napler, a detective, better known as "Kentucky Bill." who, armed with warrants for the arrest of certain of the Hatriside, started out a few weeks ago with the declaration that he would not return without them. Since that time his friends have anxlonely but valuey walted fidings of him. Not a word has been received from him.

cold in death, with a builet hole in his heart, had been found near the home of the Hatfields. It was impossible last night to verify the report, but it is helieved to be true, as his friends would otherwise have beard from him.

but yesterday word came that his body,

Bitten by a Battlesnake. BEADANO, July 13. - Henry Kern, a farmer residing near Statington, while

Extept Favore Arbitration. Roux, July 11.-The session of the Italian Parliament closed yesterday. Premier Crisel; in the Chamber of Deputies, dwelt upon the necessity of maintaining the peace of Europe, and

favored the submission of vital disputes

to arbitration. Princess from Recovering. Hanney, July 12 - Princesa Irene, wife of Prince Henry of Pruisla, is fast reconvering from her Ulium. She was able to take part in the first cities in honor of her birthday at live yesterday, and will go whit Prince Henry to Nor-

way to microw.

Diphtheria at Si, John's. HALIFAN, N. S., July 12 -- Advices from St. John's, N. F., say that there have been 2.67 cases of dipletherly and bill deaths since the outlitude of the optdetaile. The discase is now under con-

Local Weather Forecast.